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TAGS: WHO, KS, KN, MX

SUBJ: 26 TH WHA: NORTH KOREAN APPLICATION FOR WHO
MEMBERSHIP

REF: STATE 65086

1. WHEN KOREAN COUNSELOR LO CALLED ON POLITICAL
COUNSELOR APRIL 10 CONCERNING NORTH KOREAN DELEGATION
VISITING JAMAICA (SEPTTEL, NOTAL), HE ALSO RAISED NORTH
KOREAN APPLICATION FOR WHO MEMBERSHIP DURING 26 TH WHA.
LO SAID HIS AMBASSADOR HAD DISCUSSED THIS QUESTION
WITH DIRECTOR IN CHIEF FOREIGN SECRETARIAT MANUEL TELLO,
AND THAT TELLO HAD DRAWN DISTINCTION BETWEEN NORTH
KOREAN MEMBERSHIP IN UN AS AGAINST MEMBERSHIP IN
SPECIALIZED AGENCIES. TELLO HAD NOTED THAT MEXICO HAD
ABSTAINED ON KOREAN QUESTION IN UN LAST FALL AND HAD
OPPOSED NORTH KOREAN AS WELL AS EAST GERMAN ENTRY INTO
WHO. TELLO ASSERTED THAT MEXICO WOULD CONTINUE TO OPPOSE
NORTH KOREAN APPLICATION FOR WHO MEMBERSHIP DURING MEETINGS
IN GENEVA IN MAY, ALTHOUGH IT WOULD NOW SUPPORT EAST
GERMAN MEMBERSHIP. TELLO CONCLUDED THAT IT WAS TOO EARLY
TO DECIDE MEXICO' S POSITION ON THIS FALL' S DISCUSSION OF
KOREAN ITEM IN UNGA.

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2. LO SEEMED QUITE PLEASED AT RESULTS OF THIS DISCUSSION
WITH TELLO, WHICH HE TOOK AT FACE VALUE. EMBASSY WILL
NOT RAISE THIS QUESTION WITH GOM UNLESS OTHERWISE
INSTRUCTED, PER PARA 7 REFTTEL.
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